

## **ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

**A camcorder including an image display monitor that swings open from laterally from a side of the camcorder, is mounted on top of a binocular having a wide-angle field of view, such that, the camcorder and the binocular always sight on the same target, whereby the binocular serves as the target acquisition and maintenance of centering means for the camcorder instead of the display monitor, thereby freeing the user to observe an event in wide-angle view while the camcorder is recording it in telephoto mode. In one embodiment the camcorder is mounted inclined on the binocular so that the lines-of-sight of the camcorder and the binocular converge at a distance. In another embodiment the camcorder is provided with a periscope that receives incident light on the line-of-sight axis of the binocular and reflects the light onto the line-of-sight axis of the camcorder.**